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Dear Sir:

Enclosed for filing in the above-identified application are the following documents:

(X) A Preliminary Amendment in 3 pages;
(X) A Substitute Declaration and Power of Attorney form;
(X) A Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement;
(X) A PTO Form 1449 listing fifteen (16) references, copies of which are not enclosed; and
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